

## PROF. SCHLAGINTWEIT.

Prof. Robert von Schlagintweit of the University of Giessen, one of the celebrated explorers of India, especially of the Himalaya region, is soon to arrive in this country, under an engagement for a series of lectures at the Lowell Institute of Boston. "On the Results of a Scientific Mission to India and Upper Asia." Under the auspices of Alexander von Humboldt, the King of Prussia, and the East India Company of England, the Schlagintweits, three brothers, eminently qualified for the work before them, set out on their exploring expedition in 1854. From Madras they went, in 1855, to the Himalaya Mountains, and reached on the Indus-Gummi, in Tibet, the greatest altitude ever attained by travelers—20,880 feet. After exploring a great portion of Upper Asia in every direction, two of the brothers returned safely to Europe in 1857; the third one, left behind for another season, was pursued, captured, and decapitated near Kashgar, in Central Asia. The voluminous material gathered on this expedition is being worked up by the surviving brothers, and published in a splendid style in English, in nine volumes text and an Atlas of 120 plates in folio, partly in excellent chromo-lithographs. As a lecturer, both in the English and German languages, Mr. Robert von Schlagintweit has earned a high and well-deserved reputation, and his lectures will, no doubt, range among the most interesting of the coming season in this country. He proposes, after the delivery of his course in Boston, to visit the principal cities of the Union.

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